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1. No final agreement regarding the import of hard coal from Poland by the DDR had been signed by mid-May 1951. Poland is at present (17 May 1951) delivering a monthly quota pro rata of a total of 2.7 million tons of hard coal for the year 1951 and reserves the right to select the type and quality of these deliveries. The greater part received by the DDR so far has been unwashed fine coal, which cannot be used for gas and coke production.
2. The DDR had originally requested a total of 3.7 million tons of hard coal from Poland for 1951. Inability to reach a signed agreement between the two countries has been caused by Polish objections to the quantity, types and qualities requested by the DDR.
3. The DDR gas production for January-April 1951 has consequently lagged 35-40% behind the target figures of the Five Year Plan, although hard coal imports from West-Germany helped to avoid a total collapse of the DDR gas production.

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